

Cloudy tonight, probably rain; Tuesday fair, cooler; brisk to high westerly winds.

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## MITCHELL MAY COME TO CAPITAL TODAY

*Hourly Expects a Summons From President Roosevelt to Attend a Conference in this City.*

*Strike Leader Will Bring His District Presidents With Him, and is Hopeful of Ultimate Victory.*

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 13.—There is hourly expected at the strikers' headquarters in this city a call for President Mitchell and the district presidents to go to Washington.

They believe that there is under way now another effort on the part of President Roosevelt to end the strike, and they believe they will be called. What the plan is they will not say.

Meanwhile they are letting no chance go by of strengthening their ranks and holding the men firm in the places where they are weakest.

Until the conference of last week developed new settlement hopes, and when the outlook was that there would be no further interference, the companies had obtained the promise of a number of men to return to work, having made a special effort to get certificated miners. As soon as the hope of a settlement disappeared no men returned to work, and they have been holding off since. If there is no further interference they expect many men to return within a week.

Most of the operators believe that not until after election will there be an end to the many peace rumors, and that not until then will the majority of the workers abandon the hope that the statesmen now at work will be able to force the operators to a settlement. After election they expect the speedy ending of the strike.

### FRESIDENTS BAER AND CASSATT MEET

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 13.—President Baer is conferring today with President Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania Railroad, in the latter's office.

General Louis Wagner, president of the Board of City Trusts and a leading citizen of Philadelphia, is also present. The purpose of the meeting cannot be learned as yet.

### PRESIDENT LOOKS TO MORGAN FOR NEXT MOVE

*Will Shortly Appoint a Commission of Investigation.*

The President is now looking to New York and the offices of J. P. Morgan for the next move in the settlement of the strike. It is understood here, however, that no matter what arrangement may be effected between the operators and the miners, he will appoint a commission to investigate the whole subject to the end of presenting the results to Congress for its guidance in enacting legislation that will prevent labor troubles of such magnitude and such possibilities of public disaster, in the future.

This was the reason for the conference yesterday with Prof. J. W. Jenks, of Cornell University, one of the experts of the Industrial Commission. Should the contemplated commission be appointed, Prof. Jenks would undoubtedly be a member.

The impression prevails that the visit of Secretary Root to New York Saturday and his conference with Mr. Morgan was at the instance of the latter instead of having been suggested by the President. It is not believed that the President of the United States would send his chief counselor, a member of his Cabinet, on a mission to a private individual. Had he done this Mr. Root would undoubtedly have felt it his duty to report to the President immediately upon his return.

As a matter of fact the Secretary did not call at the temporary White House until nearly twenty-four hours after his return from New York and then remained only a short time.

### BRITISH COAL MEN IN SYMPATHY WITH STRIKE

*Would Tie Up Coal Supply of the World and Shut Off Exports From Wales.*

LONDON, Oct. 13.—Labor Leader Ben Tillett today hints that a world's combination of miners is possible to support the anthracite miners in America. He adds that British coal men are already working on this direction by stopping the supply of coal from Wales.

Inquiries this morning do not tend to support the idea that this combination is materializing. It has been discussed, it is true, by the miners, but no definite result has been obtained. There is some discontent in the bituminous districts, but it is ill-shaped and mainly threatens to find vent in a demonstration against the coal tax.

### No Collieries Started Up; Strikers Peaceful

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Oct. 13.—Dispatches from all sections of the anthracite coal region today indicate the general situation to be: NO COLLIERIES WERE STARTED UP, DESPITE DESPERATE EFFORTS of the operators and agents to induce non-unionists to report for duty.

THERE WERE NO ASSAULTS; THE SOLDIERS HAVE NOTHING TO DO other than picket the streets and guard collieries and railroad trains.

### THE COAL PRESIDENTS HOLDING CONFERENCE

*Meeting of Railroad Magnates in New York*

### PRESIDENT BAER ABSENT

*Purport of Meeting Withheld, But All Admit That Important Developments May Arise.*

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—There was a stir and activity among the coal presidents this morning, and important developments may result. At 11:30 o'clock President Truesdale, of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western; President Olyphant, Delaware and Hudson; David Wilcox, vice president and general counsel, Delaware and Hudson and Chairman Thomas of the Erie, and President Fowler, of the Ontario and Western Railroads, went into conference at the offices of the Delaware and Hudson Company.

President Truesdale was seen just before entering the meeting. He said: "There may be a great deal done at this meeting. I do not know," he said in reply to a question, "whether or not Mr. Baer would be able to attend."

Before the meeting began Mr. Thomas was asked regarding the report that the operators had decided to post notices granting the men a 10 per cent increase in wages.

He said: "No 10 per cent increase has been granted or even considered." President Olyphant made a similar denial.

### SUICIDE OF WOMAN DEPARTMENT CLERK

*Fatal Dose of Acid Taken by Georgiana Chamberlin.*

Georgiana Chamberlin, a clerk in the Pension Office, thirty-five years old, living at 1035 Massachusetts Avenue, committed suicide some time before 11 o'clock today by taking carbolic acid. She was found dead in her room at 11 o'clock. Her body was found lying on the floor. A towel was bound around her head.

She has been in ill-health for some time. It is said that she has been suffering from the effects of a sunstroke, and has been complaining of a severe headache.

Coroner Nevitt is investigating the matter.

### MINERS REMAIN TRUE AND STANCH TO CAUSE

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Oct. 13.—The strike enters upon its twenty-third week this morning without any appreciable change in the situation through this district. No new collieries have resumed operations, though a determined effort was made to cause a stampede about Mahanoy City this morning. The Philadelphia and Reading, after quiet missionary work among them, confidently expected to work St. Nicholas and North Mahanoy collieries this morning, but no man deserted the union's cause. Two battalions of the Fourteenth Regiment, commanded by Lieutenant Colonel Corbett, were sent into that town at daylight, to escort miners to the collieries, and though the troops covered every point in the town patrol for two hours, not a solitary man was picked up. The region is quiet today. Major General Wiley inspected the camps of the Second brigade Sunday.

### GOVERNORS PETITIONED TO ALLOW SUNDAY HAULING

NORFOLK, Va., Oct. 13.—The governors of both Virginia and North Carolina are being appealed to by the Norfolk and Western Railway for permission to haul coal on Sunday.

The laws of both States prohibit the transportation of other than perishable freight on Sunday, and it is not believed that the State executives' sanction will avail to nullify the law.

### COAL OUTPUT CURTAILED

OMAHA, Neb., Oct. 13.—From reports just received from the coal districts of Colorado and Wyoming, it is apparent that the production of bituminous coal is being largely curtailed. Indications are that one-third of the capacity of the mines is being unused. No reason is assigned.

## AERONAUT AND FRIEND MEET TERRIBLE DEATH

*De Bradsky, the Owner, and Morin, His Assistant, Fall Several Hundred Feet With Collapsed Balloon.*

*Ropes Supporting Car to the Ship Break, Precipitating Occupants to the Ground Below.*

PARIS, Oct. 13.—M. de Bradsky, the French aeronaut, and a companion named Morin, were killed by the falling of De Bradsky's airship this morning.

The pair started in De Bradsky's navigable balloon from the Aerostatic station near Vaugirard at 7:30 o'clock. The airship made a successful ascension, sailing, evidently under perfect control, over the Grand Boulevard, and then off in a northerly direction. It had not gone any great distance, however, when something was noticed to be wrong with the ship. Suddenly it fell precipitately to the ground and the life was crushed out of both occupants.

De Bradsky and his friend ascended, intending to sail over the Madeleine and return to their starting point. They changed their mind, however, when they were in the air, and indulged in evolutions over Paris, which lasted an hour.

### Ship Was Behaving Well.

The ship behaved magnificently. De Bradsky then turned his course toward St. Ains, near St. Denis. When the balloon was over St. Ains the ropes holding the passenger car to the balloon broke. The balloon was several hundred feet up in the air at the time, and De Bradsky and Morin fell with terrific force. Morin was instantly killed and De Bradsky expired in a few minutes later. The balloon, relieved of its weight, rose rapidly and disappeared. The experiment would have proven a complete success, but for the ropes breaking. The airship's two propellers worked beautifully and the helm obeyed in excellent style.

### TRAINS COLLIDE IN JERSEY CITY STATION

*Many Passengers on Erie Have Narrow Escape*

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—A head-on collision at the Erie station, in Jersey City, shortly before 8 o'clock this morning, created intense excitement, blocked traffic completely, and delayed thousands of commuters on their way to this city. No one was injured except the engineer of the switching engine, who jumped from his cab when he saw that a collision was inevitable.

The collision occurred between an incoming local passenger train, on the New York and New Jersey road, and an outgoing train of empty cars, drawn by a "drill" or switch engine. The accident occurred about 100 feet from the terminal, and is believed to have been caused by the breaking of a flange on a driving wheel of the drill engine.

Both engines were wrecked, but fortunately their crews jumped in time to avoid serious injury. The crash caused intense excitement among the hundreds of passengers and tangled up the entire system.

The New York and New Jersey train, filled with passengers, was coming in on the eastbound track. On the westbound rails the drill engine was taking out into the yards a train which had arrived a few moments previously. When the switch engine emerged from "the shed" a sharp crash was heard. Listing to the right, it jumped the rails, crashing against the pilot, the locomotives were derailed and the tracks so covered with wreckage that all traffic was temporarily suspended.

### FEW DESERTIONS ARE RECORDED AMONG MINERS

TAMAQUA, Pa., Oct. 13.—Although troops lined all the roads leading to the collieries this morning, but few additional men went to work. The operators say that the leaders have induced men who had made up their minds to go to work to remain out pending Tuesday's conference in New York. The guards of the Second Regiment, stationed at New Philadelphia, were stoned last night by camp followers. The guard was turned out, but the efforts to capture the marauders were unsuccessful.

### RAILWAYS VS. BROKERS.

The hearing in the case of the Pennsylvania Railroad and other railway corporations against the members of the American Travelers Brokers' Association to prevent them from dealing in the return coupons of Grand Army encampment tickets was resumed today before Justice Wagner. Attorney A. A. Birney began his argument on behalf of the defendants. He was followed by Mr. George E. Hamilton, representing the Baltimore and Ohio and the Chesapeake and Ohio Railroad Companies.

### ADMIRAL MELVILLE BACK.

Rear Admiral George W. Melville, Chief Engineer of the Navy, who has been severely ill in a Philadelphia hospital, returned to the Navy Department today and resumed his official duties. Admiral Melville says he has completely recovered.

French inventor's ship was sailing over Paris this morning, apparently under complete control, when machine was suddenly dashed to earth, and both the occupants killed.

lers worked beautifully and the helm obeyed in excellent style. De Bradsky's balloon was an egg-shaped affair, 110 feet long and 20 feet in diameter at the thickest part. The car was supported on steel wires by a light framework of wood, which ran the entire way around the balloon. The car itself was 55 feet long and weighed, with all accompaniments, about 1,500 pounds. The propeller of the balloon was 14 feet in diameter, and was capable of making 325 revolutions a minute.

A peculiar coincidence of the ill-fated ship was that it lay in the same shoal from which Severo, the Brazilian aeronaut, who lost his life some months ago, started.

The balloon proper was of silk and was inflated with hydrogen. A screw near the propeller and another screw in the forward part of the car helped the ship to rise.

### Accident Had Been Predicted.

At the October meeting of the Aeronautical Society, held last week, Wilfred Fonville, the greatest French authority on aeronautics, speaking of De Bradsky's balloon, foretold that an attempt at ascension would result disastrous. He said:

"If De Bradsky ever leaves the ground in his airship he will surely meet death, for his starting principle is contrary to the laws of nature. He counts on the same weight of air in fair weather as in foul, whereas the atmospheric variations change the air's weight hourly. De Bradsky is counting on the stability of the air, which does not exist, and he is doomed to failure."

The aeronaut was calling to a peasant, speaking through a trumpet, and asking for a good place to alight, when the accident occurred.

De Bradsky before the collapse paid a visit to M. Santos, the Brazilian aeronaut at the Hotel Ritz, hovering above the garden on a level with the window of Santos' room for ten minutes. He then departed for the Champs Elysees.

### ROLAND MOLINEUX'S THIRD TRIAL BEGINS

*Special Panel Allowed, Court Adjourns Until Wednesday.*

NEW YORK, Oct. 13.—The second trial of Roland B. Molineux for the murder of Mrs. Kate J. Adams was called today in the criminal branch of the supreme court. Counsel for the defense opposed the prosecution's motion for a special jury panel, but Justice Lambert upheld the prosecution's motion.

Following Justice Lambert's ruling, court was adjourned until Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, when the drawing of a special jury will begin.

### CERTIFICATE OF DEATH FROM SUICIDE ISSUED

*Coroner Announces Decision In the Case of Clerk George H. Cooper.*

Coroner Nevitt has issued a certificate of death from suicide in the case of George H. Cooper, a clerk in the Post-office Department, who hanged himself in his home, 1132 Fifteenth Street northwest, about 10 o'clock yesterday morning. The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon. It will be attended by Oriental Council, 312, R. A., of which deceased was a member.

Cooper, who had been despondent and who had several times during the past month spoken of suicide, ended his life by fastening his underwear about his neck, and tying one end to a cross bar of a closet in one corner of his room.

### GOVERNMENT DEPOSITS IN BANKS INCREASED

United States Treasurer Roberts announced this morning that the deposits in national banks since October 1 have increased by \$14,000,000, and that the interest paid in connection with the deposits has been \$2,100,000. "By the acceptance of State and municipal bonds to secure Government circulation," said Mr. Roberts, "Government bonds to the amount of \$4,500,000 have been released, which amount has been turned into circulation."

### GOVERNOR CRANE IMPROVES.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Oct. 13.—Somewhat sore, and a little lame, as a result of the runaway accident on Saturday, Governor Crane rested quietly at his home in Dalton yesterday.

Mr. Crane was very anxious to go to New York yesterday afternoon, but Dr. Paddock, his physician, strongly urged him not to, as the injuries might lay him up for some days should he persist in moving about at this time.

### SNOWFLAKES FILL THE AIR.

FERGUS FALLS, Minn., Oct. 13.—Snow began falling at 8 o'clock last night and still continues, the ground being covered. Little damage is expected from it.

### WHITE HOUSE REPAIRS DELAYED.

It is now said that improvements on the White House will not be finished until December, although the President's family may be able to occupy the living rooms by Thanksgiving, and the Executive office apartments may be ready for use by November 1.

## PRESIDENT NAMES WEST DISTRICT COMMISSIONER

*HENRY LITCHFIELD WEST.*



*Prominent Newspaper Man to Fill the Vacancy Caused by the Death of Mr. John W. Ross.*

*Appointment Made After a Long Fight Among Numerous Candidates—New Man a Resident of Washington.*

Mr. Henry Litchfield West was appointed by the President today a member of the Board of Commissioners of the District to succeed the late John W. Ross, who died last July.

The name of Mr. West has been prominent in the canvass for the vacant Commissionership from the first. As a lifelong Democrat and resident of the District he possessed the recognized first requisites for the place, and he has been supported staunchly by prominent local business men and by many influential members of both houses of Congress.

The choice of Mr. West was made by the President from among a dozen or more avowed candidates and from among at least four men with important backing.

The appointment has been delayed much longer than was expected, and it is supposed that this was due to the importance of the influence of the other candidates.

Mr. West will probably take the oath of office tomorrow. He is arranging for his household today.

### Lifelong Resident of District.

Henry Litchfield West has lived in Washington practically all his life, although born in Staten Island, N. Y., where his father was editor-in-chief of the "New York Commercial Advertiser." He is of English parents—the son of Robert Athow West and Elizabeth West. Mr. West's father came to Washington to assume an important editorial position on Forney's "Chronicle," then the leading newspaper of the National Capital.

Mr. West first lived in Georgetown, where his father died. He attended a private academy until between twelve and thirteen years of age, when he was forced to seek employment. He secured a position in the dingy little office of the "Georgetown Courier" as office boy, printer's devil, and reporter. From work upon this weekly paper he graduated to a reporterial position on the "Washington Union," and went from that paper to the "Washington Post," with which he has since been connected, beginning as reporter and rising to the position of city editor, and later managing editor. The latter position, in which he showed marked executive ability, Mr. West resigned to devote his attention to political writing, and in that capacity he has attended all national conventions and prominent political events of recent years.

### Held Many Offices of Trust.

Mr. West was a member of the Columbia Democratic Club during the lifetime of that organization, and has always affiliated with the Democratic party of the District of Columbia. He is one of the board of trustees of the Emergency Hospital, and was named as one of the committee from the District of Columbia to the Tennessee Exposition at Nashville.

He has been identified with numerous local institutions as director and trustee. For two years he served in the police department of the District as clerk and stenographer. He is a prominent member of the Gridiron Club, of which organization he was unanimously elected president.

He is also one of the board of governors of the Columbia Golf Club. He attends the Mount Pleasant Congregational Church. Mr. West was for some time a resident and property owner on Capitol Hill. About five years ago he purchased the house in which he resides, on Columbia Heights. His family consists of his mother, wife, two daughters, and a son. He has a sister residing near Asheville, N. C.

### APPOINTMENT PLEASES OLD COMMISSIONERS

General satisfaction was expressed at the District Building over the choice of Mr. West for the vacant Commissionership. Mr. West is well and favorably known among the heads of departments and employees of the District. There was especial satisfaction that the Commissioner had been appointed, as it will permit the long delayed work of the Engineer Department to go on. Commissioner Macfarland, president of the Board, said regarding the appointment:

"Mr. West and I have been friends for many years, and I shall be very glad to welcome him from the private to the public service of the District. No one appreciates his ability or his attractive qualities more than I, and it is needless to say that he has the integrity and the public spirit characteristic of his predecessor in office. He is a District man from his youth up, knows the District's needs, and shares the District's desires. I feel sure that Mr. West will acquit himself admirably in a very trying place."

Commissioner Biddle stated that he was not personally acquainted with Mr. West, but that from all sources he had learned that the newly appointed member of the Board has all the requisite qualities of a good public servant. Commissioners Macfarland and Biddle called upon Mr. West at the Post Building at 12 o'clock to offer their congratulations.

### MR. CHOATE AGAIN ON DUTY.

LONDON, Oct. 13.—Mr. Choate, the American ambassador, has returned from his vacation in Scotland.

## BRITISH AMBASSADOR FORMALLY PRESENTED

*President Roosevelt Receives Sir Michael Herbert at the Temporary White House.*

Sir Michael Herbert, successor of the late Lord Pauncefoot as ambassador of Great Britain to the United States, was formally received for the first time by President Roosevelt this morning at 11 o'clock, Secretary of State Hay performing the introduction.

The meeting took place in the President's room on the second floor of the temporary White House, the President remaining seated in his invalid's chair during the exchange of the usual amenities.

Sir Michael was accompanied to the executive building by Col. Theodore Bingham, U. S. A., where he found Secretary Hay awaiting to present him to the President.

The address of the British ambassador was as follows:

"I have the honor to place in your hands a letter from the King, my august sovereign, accrediting me as his ambassador to the United States of America. In confiding this high mission to me, his majesty has charged me to maintain and strengthen the good relations which so happily exist between Great Britain and the United States."

"Sir, I have long had a profound admiration for the people and institutions of the great country over which you so ably preside, and no task could be more congenial to me or more in conformity with my personal sentiments than that of carrying out my sovereign's commands."

"I fully realize the difficulty of replacing my eminent and deeply lamented predecessor, who strove so steadfastly and so successfully to draw closer the bonds which unite the two countries, and whose honesty, integrity and other high qualities gained for him in so marked a manner the respect and confidence of the American people."

"But I undertake his succession trusting in your indulgence, and no effort shall be wanting on my part to further

augment the present friendly feeling between the two great English-speaking nations which he did so much to bring about.

"In conclusion, sir, allow me to express my very sincere wishes for your personal welfare, and for your rapid restoration to health."

The President's reply was as follows: "Mr. Ambassador: It affords me sincere gratification to receive from your hands the letter whereby your sovereign accredits you as his ambassador to the United States, and to welcome you in that capacity. It is especially pleasing to me that his majesty's choice has fallen upon one who, by previous official residence in this country, is so agreeably known here, and who is, moreover, so well fitted by acquaintance with the workings of our Government and by personal association with our people to carry out his majesty's announced wish that the conduct of your mission may contribute to maintain and strengthen the good relations which so fortunately exist between Great Britain and the United States."

"I am happy in turn, to assure you of the same high purpose on the part of this Government, and of our earnest desire to advance in all attainable ways the good will and mutual esteem that mark the intercourse of the two nations."

"Your tribute to the memory of your lamented predecessor's eminent qualities awakens a responsive sentiment among us, who so sincerely deplore his death with a sense of personal loss. It is my earnest hope that you, following in his footsteps, will win in no less measure than he the confidence and regard of the American Government and people, and thus continue his good work."

"Accepting your kindly wishes for my personal welfare, I ask you to convey to his majesty the cordial wishes I express in the name of this government and of my countrymen, for his majesty's health, happiness, and happiness, and for the prosperity of the great nation over which he has been called to rule."

## AN AMERICAN WOMAN IN AN IRISH ASYLUM

*Miss Jane Anthony Attempts Suicide and Is Committed.*

QUEENSTOWN, Oct. 13.—Miss Jane Anthony, of New York, was brought before a magistrate here today to answer to a charge of attempted suicide. She was ordered detained in the Cork Lunatic Asylum.

Miss Anthony landed from the steamer Lucania on October 3 and tried to commit suicide by jumping from the landing pier. She took all the money from her purse, amounting in all to \$1,775, threw it on the dock, and then jumped into the water.

The evidence adduced at the hearing today showed that for twenty-three years past she had lived in New York. The doctors who examined her said she was suffering from suicidal mania.

Rebecca R. Perle today filed suit in the Supreme Court of the District against Jerome Hubbard to recover \$500 claimed as damages for personal injuries. She declares that on October 1 the defendant struck, shook, and pulled and threw her out of the door of 132 D Street northeast, Edwin B. Hay is named as counsel for the plaintiff.

## DESTRUCTIVE STORM SHATTERS HOUSES

*Cyclone Passes Over Macon, Missouri.*

MACON, Mo., Oct. 13.—The southeastern part of this city was visited by a most destructive windstorm Sunday afternoon. About twenty-five residences, lying in the storm's path, were completely demolished, and many other buildings were torn from their foundations.

Fortunately the section over which the storm passed is thinly populated. Telegraph and telephone wires are down and it is feared considerable damage has been done in neighboring towns.

### OIL TESTS DELAYED.

The tests of oil as a fuel, which were scheduled to be held at the National Museum today, did not take place, owing to a delay in the arrival of necessary apparatus.

### SNOW IN SOUTH DAKOTA.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Oct. 13.—Snow fell steadily for an hour yesterday afternoon, the first of the season. The warm air soon melted it, however.